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2024

Year in Review



SACRAMENTO
COUNTY

About Sacramento County

Sacramento County covers 965 square miles and is home to the California state capital, 1.6 million residents and seven incorporated cities: Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova and Sacramento. The population of Sacramento County's unincorporated area is approximately 600,000.

Residents in Sacramento County have a variety of recreational, dining and entertainment options to choose from. The County is home to more than 15,000 acres of park, plus the 23-mile American River Parkway, where more than five million visitors enjoy the unique wildlife and recreation area annually. Fishing, boating and rafting opportunities are available to water enthusiasts, and picnic sites, golfing, guided natural and historic tours are steps away from the multi-use trail. With its close vicinity to local agriculture, County residents also have an extraordinary selection of local food, wines and beers.

Sacramento County is one of the most affordable home-buying metropolitan areas in the state, and has a skilled workforce, high graduation rates and college-educated residents. The County is a leader in the 21st century economy with growing advanced manufacturing, agriculture and food, clean energy technology, information and communications technology and life sciences.

County Government

The County of Sacramento was incorporated in 1850 in response to the needs of a growing population and was one of the original 27 counties of California. In 1933, the Sacramento County Charter was established, along with the County Executive position.

The County is governed by five members of the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, elected



Board of Supervisors, L-R: Patrick Kennedy (District 2), Phil Serna (District 1), Rosario Rodriguez (District 4), Rich Desmond (District 3) and Pat Hume (District 5)



David Villanueva, County Executive

on a non-partisan basis to serve staggered four-year terms, each representing one of the five districts. The County Executive is responsible to the Board for planning, organizing and directing County activities. Other elected officials include the Assessor, District Attorney and the Sheriff.

The County is responsible, pursuant to the County Charter or ordinances, or by state or federal mandate, to provide health and welfare, criminal justice and municipal services (including law enforcement), as well as other services to County residents. Major services include the Airport System, Animal Care and Regulation, Clerk Recorder, Criminal Justice, Health and Welfare, Property Tax System, Regional Parks, Transportation, Waste Management and Recycling, Voter Registration and Water Resources.

The County's Adopted Fiscal Year 2024-25 Budget is more than \$9.2 billion, and there are more than 13,600 full-time employees. For more information, visit www.saccounty.gov.

Sacramento County by the Numbers

1,579,211

Total Population:
(up 6,758 people since 2023)*

606,021

Unincorporated Population:
(up 4,795 since 2023)*

\$84,010**

Median Income

\$465,900**

Median House Value

36.8**

Median Age of Population

\$9.2 billion

Sacramento County's
2024-25 Budget



Where do my Property Tax Dollars go? ➔

Your Tax Dollars at Work

Largest job sector in Sacramento County:**

- » Health Care and Social Assistance, employing 136,869 workers

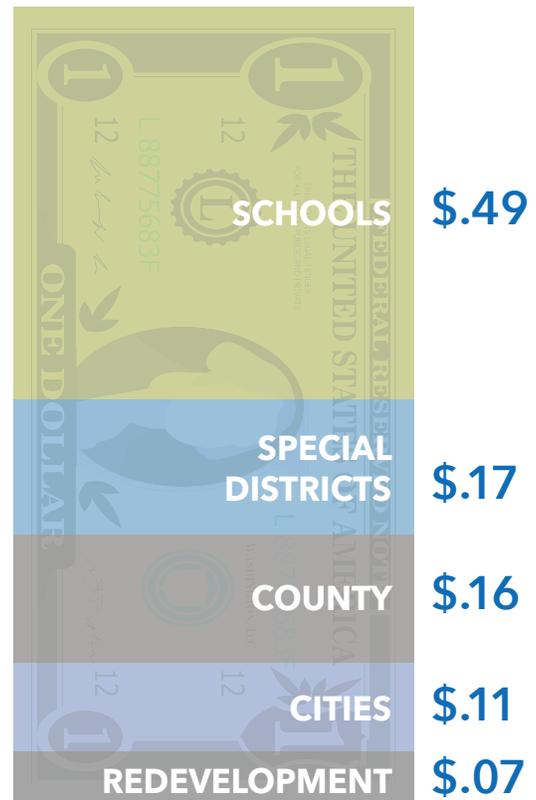
Next largest sectors are:**

- » Public Administration (122,705 workers) and Retail Trade (64,837)

*Source: California Department of Finance

**Source: JobsEQ®, <http://www.chmuraecon.com/jobseq>

FY 2023-24



SOCIAL SERVICES

↓ 58%

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40,422

In-Home Supportive Services were provided to 40,422 individuals with disabilities, allowing them to remain safely in their homes rather than in institutions.

63.75%

Welfare-To-Work placed 80 customers in subsidized employment. Of those customers, 63.75% are off aid and still employed.

\$129M

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Social Services

Child, Family and Adult Services:

- » **Foster Care Reduction:** Since 2015, Child Protective Services has achieved a **58% reduction** in the number of youth in foster care, reflecting the County's commitment to family preservation and strategies that prioritize permanency and stability for youth.
- » **APS Service Reach:** Adult Protective Services (APS) provided essential services to **5,914** vulnerable seniors and adults in 2024, ensuring protection and support to those at risk of abuse, neglect, or exploitation.
- » **Senior and Adult Services Housing Transition Success:** Nottoli Place, a transitional living center for vulnerable seniors at risk of abuse or neglect, served **56** individuals. Of the 54 who exited the program, approximately 60% transitioned to permanent housing.
- » **Senior and Adult Homelessness Prevention:** The Homeless Prevention and Navigation Services program supported **233** individuals, achieving remarkable success in securing or stabilizing housing for 207 participants (89%).
- » In 2024, the **In-Home Support Services Program** increased its participation by **8,953** new seniors and individuals with disabilities, putting the total number of recipients at **40,422**, an 8% increase from the previous year.

Child Support Services:

- » The Department of Child Support Services collected approx. **\$129 million** in 2023-24, which prevented numerous children and families from falling into poverty.
- » With an increased focus on customer service, in 2024 the department decreased the call wait time from more than **4 minutes** to just more than **1 minute**.

Environmental Management:

- » In 2024, the Environmental Management Department (EMD) inspected **14,268** retail food facilities, **2,537** recreational health facilities, **1,538** hazardous materials and hazardous waste facilities, 264 landfills and transfer stations, **426** wells, **207** on-site wastewater treatment systems, 33 small water systems and responded to **440** hazardous materials incidents.

Human Assistance:

- » In 2024, the Department of Human Assistance provided the following services:
 - » Medi-Cal to **529,089** individuals
 - » CalFresh to **438,604** individuals
 - » CalWORKs to **62,554** individuals
 - » General Assistance to **2,340** individuals
 - » Refugee Assistance to **1,281** individuals
 - » DHA's Veteran Services Division assisted more than **11,000** veterans to access benefits they were entitled to, resulting in the VA awarding more than **\$13.6** million to Sacramento County veterans. This was a **45%** increase in the number of veterans served over the previous year.



HEALTH SERVICES

Health Services:

Behavioral Health

- » The Community Wellness Response Team (CWRT) began operating 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in 2024, providing field-based in-person crisis intervention, assessment of needs and risks, and safety planning. In 2024, CWRT received **964** calls, of which **595** resulted in an in-person response.

Primary Health:

- » In August 2024 Adult Correctional Health (ACH) rolled out new **confidential nurse intake rooms** as part of the intake process. The new process also includes a two-phase process to better immediately assess the urgent health needs of an arrestee prior to booking.

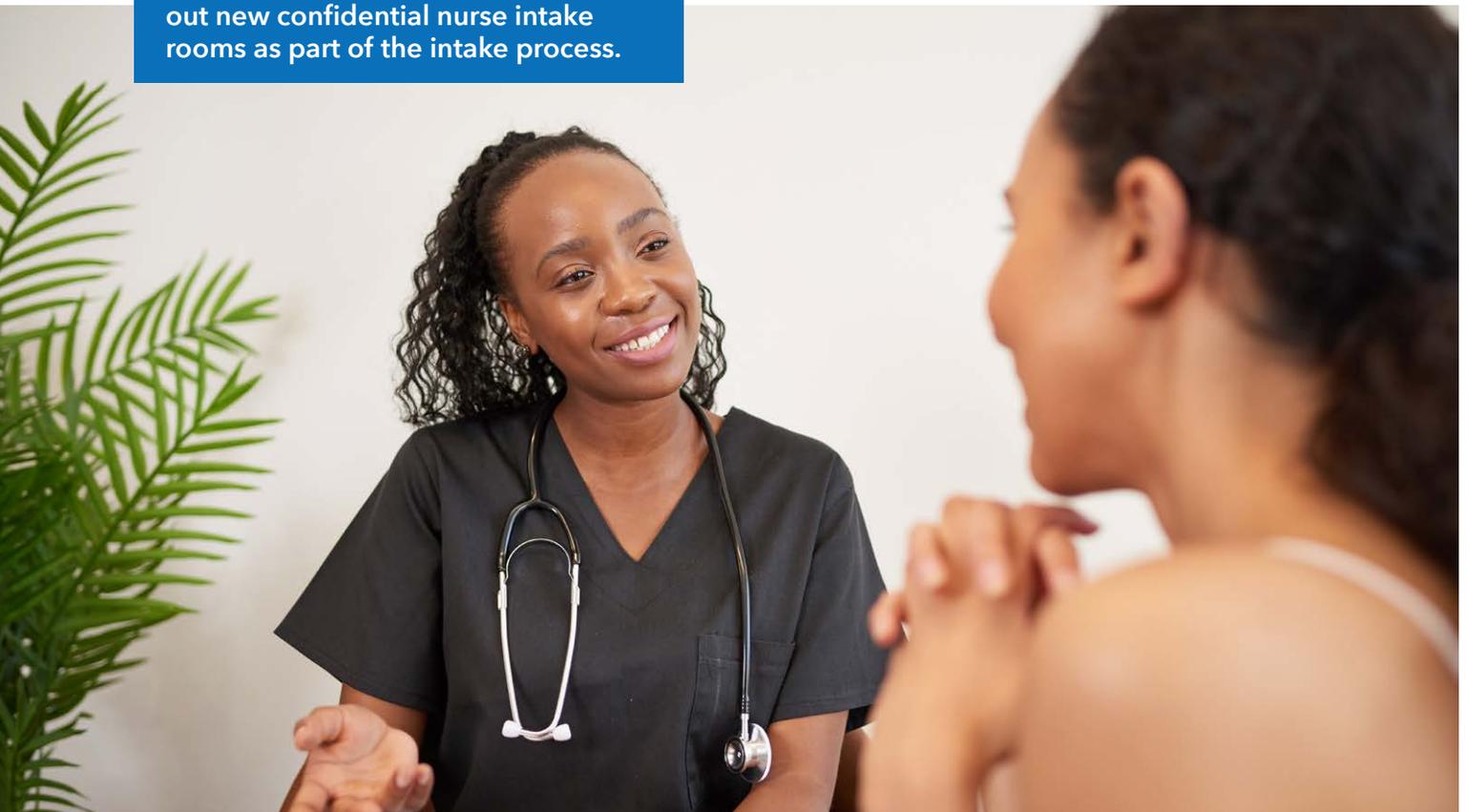
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Public Health

- » Sacramento County Public Health (SCPH) earned national accreditation from the Public Health Accreditation Board, becoming the **26th** local health jurisdiction (of 61) in California to achieve this feat.

First 5:

- » First 5 Sacramento served **344** children at the Sacramento Children's Home Crisis Nurseries providing **1,779** daytime stays, **1,447** overnight stays and transportation for **650** of these stays. More than **99%** of parents reported that they felt better able to solve their crisis situations knowing their child had a safe place to stay.





2024

Encampment Outreach

- Served 1,469 unduplicated individuals
- Provided 48,307 services
 - Transitioned 396 individuals out of unsheltered homelessness

Shelter and Interim Housing: 281
Housing: 115

Safe Stay Communities

- Capacity (beds):
 - Florin: 125 | East Parkway: 56 | Stockton Blvd: 175 beds
- Unduplicated individuals served:
 - Florin: 245 | East Parkway: 158
- Unduplicated exits to permanent housing:
 - Florin: 43 | East Parkway: 17

Landlord Engagement and Assistance Program (LEAP)

- Supported 510 unduplicated individuals
- 267 unduplicated individuals exited to permanent housing

Homeless Services and Housing:

Sacramento County, in partnership with the State of California and the City of Sacramento welcomed guests into its third and largest-to-date Safe Stay Community Campus on Stockton Blvd. The site provides clients with 155 individual sleeping cabins (135 single and 20 double occupancy), three meals a day, bathrooms and showers, laundry services, pet exercise/relief area, possession storage, case management and behavioral health services, job placement, housing assistance, and more.

Residence Inn: The County used **\$13.9 million** to partner in the County's first public/private partnership in **32** units of permanent supportive housing units and 10 years of rental subsidies for low-income residents – which also supported a larger purchase of an additional **142** units of workforce housing. These units are a part of a comprehensive approach to serve those living unsheltered on the American River Parkway.

Joshua's House: Sacramento County invested **\$1,137,788** in funding to complete construction on **Joshua House**, a facility that will provide comfort care for homeless individuals with terminal illnesses, after being discharged from an acute care hospital.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Community Services



Airports:

New Concessions were approved by the Board for **18** locations at SMF. Concessions staff received more than **3,000** responses to a survey of what customers want at SMF, reached out to more than **200** local establishments, received **34** proposals, and were able to attract local and national brands with pricing and offerings for every palate.

Safety Management System (SMS): The Department of Airports was the first airport in the country to submit an SMS Implementation Plan to the FAA in 2023, the first to get it approved by the FAA, and the first to submit an SMS manual.

Community Development:

Planning and Environmental Review:

Building Permits and Inspection:

- » Issued **22,757** commercial and residential permits, totaling a valuation of approximately **\$1.1B**.
- » Performed 88,**956** project inspections.

Economic Development:

- » Supported the development of **6** major industrial and commercial projects, creating **1,156** new jobs and **\$60.5 million** in capital investment.
- » Provided business resources, permitting assistance, and sustainability guidance to **550** entrepreneurs, businesses, and developers.
- » Collaborated with **10** local community-based organizations to deliver **\$1.5 million** in COVID-19 recovery support to **3,835** small and minority owned businesses.
- » Partnered with **11** Property and Business Improvement Districts to invest **\$400,000** in enhanced health and safety services, impacting **2,774** property owners.
- » Awarded **\$336,000** in grant funding to 69 local arts and cultural nonprofit organizations to strengthen the creative economy.

UNITY ICES

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- » Directed **\$805,000** in grant funding to support **161** small businesses and nonprofits located in economically distressed census tracts.
- » Organized **14** training seminars and workshops to support the growth and development of entrepreneurs and business owners.
- » Coordinated **93** Business Watch Meetings across **9** communities to promote public safety and community engagement among local businesses.

Transportation:

- » Filled **90,798** potholes
- » Removed and replaced **126** curb, gutter and sidewalks
- » Finished **12** miles of crack sealing on the roadway
- » Investigated **933** traffic safety complaints
- » Added **36** speed bumps/speed tables on **17** residential streets
- » Removed **132,000** sq. ft. of graffiti



Community Services, *Continued*

Water Resources:

More than **2,900** tons of vegetation, trash and sediment were removed from creeks and channels to reduce potential for flooding.

Sacramento County Water Agency:

Installed a new, **22**-mile pipeline, replacing an outdated and undersized system in Arden.

Installed more than **1,000** new water meters.

Agriculture/Weights and Measures:

The department's annual pesticide container recycling event kept more than **29,000** pounds of plastic from entering local landfills.

The Weights & Measures Division investigated **126** complaints involving overcharges, questionable quantities, and fuel quality issues.

Animal Care:

- » Placed **3,278** dogs and **3,541** cats into new adoptive homes.
- » Helped **983** lost dogs and **69** lost cats safely reunite with their owners.
- » Vaccinated **1,821** pets and spayed/neutered **351** animals through the PAWS (Pet Aid and Wellness Services) program, which also performed **1,055** wellness exams and saved **18** pets from shelter surrender by assisting owners in crisis.
- » Spayed and neutered **1,200** animals at Mobile Animal Sterilization Hospital (MASH) clinics, providing essential services in underserved areas to reduce unwanted litters and the number of stray animals in the community.



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Regional Parks:

- » Regional Parks completed several improvement projects, including the replacement of the playgrounds at Gibson Ranch, hood and Dr. Barnes Memorial Park and ADA improvements to picnic areas and restrooms at Gibson Ranch and Harrington Access.
- » Regional Parks launched Agents of Discovery, a free, interactive augmented reality game designed to bridge the love of technology with in-person education about natural resources.
- » Rangers arrested several subjects who were illegally dumping tires throughout the county. Thousands of tires were dumped at the Illa M Collin Conservation Preserve near Mather Regional Park. This investigation and arrests led to successful prosecution for these crimes and restitution to the county.

Waste Management and Recycling:

DWMR serves more than **165,000** residences in unincorporated Sacramento County, providing curbside collection for garbage, organics, recycling,



used oil/filters and bulky waste. Each driver averages **1,000** accounts daily.

The seasonal Self-Serve Compost program provided **2,300** tons free to residents and nonprofits.

The North Area Recovery Station and Kiefer Landfill processed **446,000** and **994,000** tons of material, respectively. Their household hazardous waste (HHW) facilities handled more than **1 million** pounds each of HHW and electronic waste from **17,000** residential and commercial customers.



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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

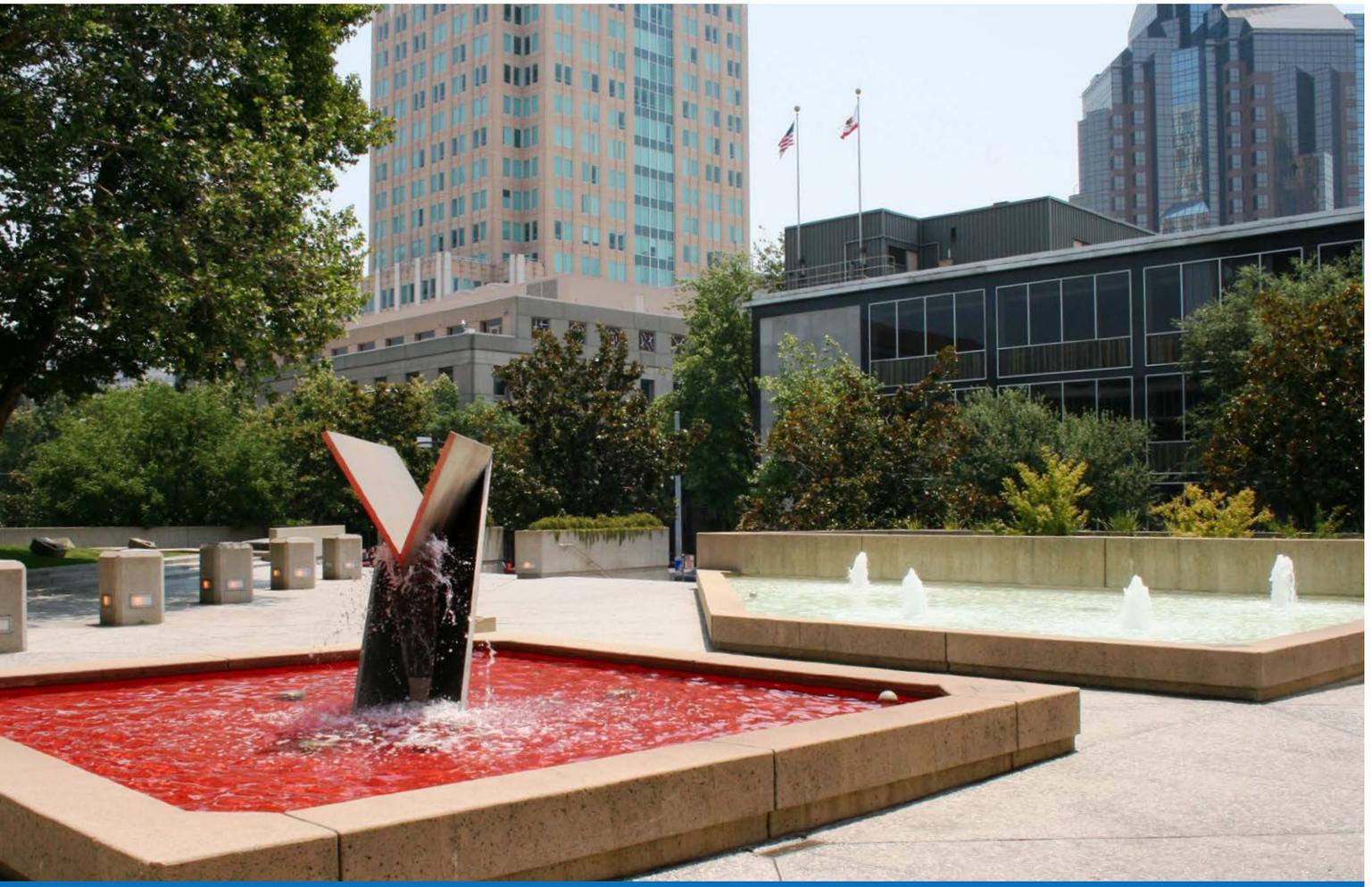
Administrative Services

Clerk Recorder:

The County Clerk/Recorder's Office has reviewed more than **2 million** recorded documents for the Restrictive Covenant Modification program. Of those, almost **1,500** were identified to have unlawful restrictive language and required redaction.

General Services:

The Surplus Unit has been recognized with the prestigious Public Surplus Excellence Award. This honor places the Surplus Unit among the top **10** sellers nationwide and the top **5** County Sellers. The Unit is vital in efficiently redistributing and reselling retired county assets, ensuring valuable resources are maximized and put to good use.



RATIVE



Voter Registration and Elections (VRE):

VRE successfully administered the Presidential Primary and General Elections, achieved **39%** and **75%** turnouts, respectively, and processed a total of **2,029,836** ballot cards. Supporting these countywide elections, VRE staffed more than **2,600** employees across VRE Headquarters, **88** Vote Centers, and **61** official Ballot Drop Box locations.

As part of VRE's longstanding commitment to promoting youth civic engagement, they provided the opportunity for more than **7,000** students in **30** schools to participate in high school mock elections.

Finance:

- » Finance collected and distributed more than **\$2.8 billion** in property taxes to local government agencies.
- » The Consolidated Utility Billing division billed and collected more than **\$500 million** in utility charges for water, sewer, garbage and drainage services.

PUBLIC SAFETY & JUSTICE

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Public Safety & Justice

Coroner:

In 2024, the Coroner's Office referred **34** low-income families to the American River College Funeral Program. The program allows families to hold funeral services for their loved ones free of charge.

Probation:

Pretrial Services reached a major milestone in 2024. Since the start of the program in 2019, Probation has activated more than **10,000** clients on pretrial, assisting the Courts by monitoring clients, ensuring they attend Court.

Public Defender:

In 2024, the Public Defender assisted more than **1,000** people in clearing their criminal records. Through this effort, people who complete their probation and pay their fines can get their lives back on track and overcome barriers to employment, education, and housing.

Public Defender social worker staff connected more than **1,600** people to social services, including mental health treatment, substance use treatment, and housing.



District Attorney:

In 2024, the District Attorney's Office worked with local and federal law enforcement partners to create the SAC-FORCE (Fentanyl Overdose Response Criminal Enforcement) Team. This newly formed team is actively investigating fentanyl narcotics cases, **6** of which have resulted in homicide charges.

The Office continued to present its iSmart program to Sacramento schools. It gave more than **150** presentations to schools in Elk Grove, Galt, Folsom, and Sacramento City Unified.

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Sheriff:

Throughout 2024, the Sheriff's Office remained committed to utilizing its specialized teams and task forces to address critical public safety concerns. These dedicated teams worked tirelessly to combat gang violence, illegal firearm possession, drug sales, human trafficking, the sexual exploitation of children, organized retail theft, and internet crimes against children.

In 2024, the Sheriff's Office established the non-profit Sacramento County Sheriff's Foundation and hosted its first annual Sheriff's Rodeo. In its inaugural year, the foundation raised more than **\$250,000** to help foster a relationship between law enforcement and Sacramento County's youth.

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